

# The Legislature of Rockland County



**PHILIP SOSKIN  
LEGISLATOR-DISTRICT 7  
CHAIR, MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES  
MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2016  
6:30 PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:  
LEG. P. SOSKIN, CHAIR  
LEG. A. PAUL, 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE CHAIR  
LEG. I. SCHOENBERGER  
LEG. A. WIEDER  
LEG. V. TYER  
LEG. C. FALCIGLIA**

**MEMBERS ABSENT:  
LEG. T. EARL, VICE CHAIR**

**OTHERS PRESENT:  
LEG. L. HOFSTEIN  
LEG. D. JOBSON  
LEG. C. CAREY  
LEG. M. GRANT  
LEG. L. SANTULLI  
E. YEGER, ESQ  
S. POWERS  
T. HUMBACK, ESQ  
J. FELLA  
L. INCALCATERRA**

**CHAIR SOSKIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER: AT 6:33 PM.**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 13, 2016 AND OCTOBER 26, 2016 MEETING.

**MOTION TO ADOPT:  
PAUL/FALCIGLIA**

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- 1. REF. #8983** APPROVING THE AGREEMENTS WHICH MAY BE IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH THE SEVENTEEN (17) LICENSED PERSONAL CARE AGENCIES LISTED ON THE ANNEXED SCHEDULE A TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES REQUIRED BY NEW YORK SOCIAL SERVICES LAW § 365-A(2)(E) AND TITLE 18 OF THE NEW YORK CODE, RULES AND REGULATIONS UNDER RFI-RC-2016-001 FOR PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS [DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES]  
**(SUSAN SHERWOOD COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES) DL#: 2016-02748**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
SOSKIN/TYER**

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**ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SOSKIN, PAUL, SCHOENBERGER, WIEDER, FALCIGLIA, JOBSON**

John Fella, Deputy Commissioner of Social Services, explained that this agreement deals in part with a program that administers personal care services to persons eligible to receive such services. The program sends individuals to their home to assist them. The other part of the program deals with 17 licensed agencies that provide this program with personal care services. Bear in mind that the choice of provider rests with the recipient. There is no cost to the County.

Leg. Soskin wanted to know if the County must advance the funds for this program, and if so, does the State guarantee reimbursement?

Mr. Fella replied that payments are made under the Medicaid program directly by New York State.

Leg. Soskin asked who does the book record keeping for the County?

Mr. Fella explained that the Department of Social Services provides authorization for payment.

Leg Paul asked how they decide the hourly rate to be charge?

Mr. Fella explained that the rates are set by the Department of Health.

Leg. Grant asked for Mr. Fella to be excused from the Budget and Finance meeting.

2. **REF. #9173** URGING GOVERNOR CUOMO AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT THE FEDERAL CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ACT (CCDBG)  
**(HON. ILAN S. SCHOENBERGER LEGISLATURE)**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
SOSKIN/SCHOENBERGER, PAUL**

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**ADDED CO-SPONSORS: LEGS. SOSKIN, PAUL, WIEDER, FALCIGLIA, JOBSON**

3. **REF. #3977** EXTENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF ROBIN MAHONEY TO THE TEMPORARY POSITION OF SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT IN THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOAN SILVESTRI COMMISSIONER OF PERSONNEL) **DL#: 2016-03298**

**PULLED 11/9/16**

Pulled per the request of Stephen J. Powers, Director of Public Policy and Intergovernmental Relations.

Leg. Schoenberger asked by curiosity as to why this item was pulled?

Mr. Stephen Powers, Director of Public policy and Intergovernmental Relations, explained that this was a temporary position for 75 days and after that time the appointee must come back to the Legislature for approval.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN: AT 6:45 PM.  
WIEDER/SCHOENBERGER**

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**Respectfully, Submitted**

**Lesly Senatus, Committee Clerk**

MS. 11/9/16 MIN/LS

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